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On the Street

Husband and Wife



My husband wants the temperature in the house 90 degrees when he is home but thinks 50 degrees is "right" during the day.—B. S. A.

WHAT DOES YOUR HUSBAND DO?

Frank Green: "This last Monday was the best trade day I have experienced in some months; believe business is on the up-grade gradually."

Those desiring to make application for the Decatur Baptist College Scholarship, given by the Owl Club, are requested to do so by July 20. Make application to the Owl Club Scholarship Committee.

The William Brown residence on West Main street, under construction by Contractors Fred Spain and Prince Porter, is going up rapidly, and when completed, will be one of the handsomest homes in the city. The structure will be of gray brick.

L. A. Western of the Chico country, and for many years prominent in the F. L. U. organization, in town Monday on business: "Renew my subscription for the Messenger; some time ago I let the time expire, and I have been lost without the regular visits of the county site paper."

Miss Laverne Thompson, beauty expert, of Temple, was visiting relatives and friends here Sunday and Monday. Laverne was a member of the Messenger's reportorial staff before she became engaged in the business of beautifying the ladies. She is a beautiful young lady and charming in manner, and Messenger learns that she is meeting with deserved success in her business in Temple.

Monday, "stray sale day," was a reminder of the "good old days," with a number of hoss traders on the chopping yard, west of the public square. Lewis George, veteran trader, from Bowie, but starting his career as a swapper in this community, was on the scene early. George is probably the most consistent member of the "union," having attended more 'stray sale days meet without missing than any other attendant. Chas. Hardwick, for many years a "regular" at the gatherings, is seen only at the Decatur meets, owing to bad health.

Jack Rieger, owner and manager of the Rieger Dry Goods Co., in reporting trade conditions, stated to a Messenger reporter yesterday: "Business is looking up, and Friday, Saturday and Monday were decidedly the best days we have had in some time. I am confident that confidence is returning to the people, and that the peak of this depression has passed. With a good rain we would be returning fast to normal conditions, the needed boost in the price of farmers' products, necessary to about the proper conditions, is at hand."

J. J. Ingram, while conversing with a number of friends on the streets of Decatur one day this week heard to make this remark, one is appreciated by the Messenger. Said the doctor: "A friend of mine living in another state, and a

JURY CONVICTS RANDALL ROSS

Confesses to Robbing Bank and Is Given Thirteen Years

In Judge Carter's court Monday a jury assessed the punishment of Randall Ross, charged with robbing with firearms the Chico State bank, at five years in the state penitentiary. Growing out of this case four other indictments resulted, assault with intent to murder, and in each Ross received two years in prison.

Ross made a confession, stating that he was drunk at the time of the robbery, and that had Cashier Baldrige offered resistance he would have abandoned the robbery and fled. When asked by County Attorney Brown if he expected the banker to resist when he (Ross) was armed with a murderous six-shooter, and the banker unarmed, Ross stated he "didn't know, but I would have run and Mr. Baldrige resisted with a stick."

The robbery of the Chico bank was staged in old time western bandit day manner. Ross, alone, boldly entered the bank, flourishing a pistol, and told Cashier Baldrige and a customer to "stick 'em up." Something like \$1,600 in currency was taken from the bank. Ross left the building as he had come in, by the front door. He jumped in a car he had parked near the curb, and drove rapidly across the square, turning west on the Jacksboro highway. Baldrige reported the robbery immediately, and in a short time a posse of Chico citizens, joined by the sheriff's force from Decatur, were in hot pursuit. A few miles out of Chico, Ross was seen driving his car at a high rate of speed, and a gun battle, in which a number of shots were fired took place. Ross' car became fouled, the engine refusing to work, and he abandoned the machine and ran into the timber. A thorough search was made for him, but he eluded his would-be captors, and sometime in the night he slipped into his camp tent at the Bridgeport dam site where he had been employed. Officers, standing near, saw Ross enter the tent, and they immediately arrested him, and a search of the premises disclosed a quantity of money hidden in glasses and pepper and salt boxes. Ross and a woman, who was occupying the tent, were woman denied any knowledge of the robbery, but in a few days, Ross called Sheriff Workman and County Attorney Brown to his jail cell and told them he was ready to make a confession, and would lead them to where he had hidden the loot after he abandoned his car on the highway. Ross led the officers to a spot in the "breaks" southwest of Chico, and at the foot of a large oak tree the money was found.

"I was drunk at the time, and knew little of what I was doing," Ross said while making his confession. Up to the time of this crime, it is said, Ross bore a good reputation as a law-abiding citizen.

man who reads much, and is a close observer, stated to me that the Wise County Messenger is the best-looking country weekly he had seen. Its make-up and general appearance made him believe Decatur was a much larger town than it is. It is good to hear such comments on the Messenger, and they make Messenger-makers do their best to merit such compliments. And, while accepting compliments, which we all like, we'll quote what one of the most beautiful and charming ladies of the Owl Club, a lady of keen intellect and a store of knowledge of literature, remarked to a representative of the pioneer publication: "The Messenger is a splendid newspaper, my favorite, and it is recognized as one of the best and leading publications in the state in the country newspaper field."

And this one, from a former Decatur citizen, who now lives in a town of more than double the population of Decatur: "Two weekly papers here, but the two combined would not equal the Messenger."

Tom Fith, in town Monday from the Alvord section, told a representative of the Messenger that corn

REVIVAL MOVES FROM PARK

Rowan Preaching Soul-Winning Sermons to Interested Crowds

The revival meeting at the reunion ground has been moved to the First Baptist church in Decatur, where services are now held each day at 10 a. m., in the house, and at 8:15 p. m., on the lawn just west of the church. The people are being profoundly impressed by the strong old-fashioned gospel preaching of Rev. Rowan. The fact that he is a brother of our fellowtownsman, Jim Rowan, adds to the interest of the people in hearing him.

Prof. Glosup is leading the singing and the choir is growing every day. A special service for the older people will be held Friday morning. Mrs. Carl Christian is chairman of the transportation committee and will provide conveyance for all whose names are given her. Everybody is invited to this service, and a great occasion is expected. Flowers will be given to the oldest person, the oldest christian and the oldest citizen of Wise county present.

Good crowds are attending the services, and everybody is invited to come out and co-operate. The meeting will continue through next week. R. E. BELL, Pastor.

LOCAL WOMAN VISITS EUROPE



MRS. G. W. SPLAWN

Mrs. G. W. Splawn left Decatur Saturday morning to visit her son's grave in France. She sailed from New York July 8th on the "President Harding" with a group of Gold Star Mothers.

and melons in his community were suffering for rain. "Corn in some places at this time is showing the result of the blistering sun, but if we can get a good rain within a short time, plenty of corn will be made," he said. It has been three weeks since a good, soaking rain fell in the Alvord country, he said, and it was not badly needed at that time. "If that rain had delayed its coming until now, we would be all right, and sitting on top of the world."

Mit Ash, farmer, on the old Gilliland place, northwest of town, here Monday, requested the Messenger editor to hazard a guess about the weather, with instructions to tell him when the next rain would come down. "I understand you are a student of Prof. Florida, the weather prophet, and you should know when we are to get a soaker." We admitted being a listener of Prof. Florida, when he talks weather, etc., but denied being versed sufficiently in Florida's teachings to prophesy what the weather clerk had in store.

Mr. and Mrs. E. Macey of Dallas, visited Mr. and Mrs. Ray Casey here Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. T. P. Greenhaw and family of Iran, Texas, spent Tuesday and Wednesday with their aunt, Mrs. J. H. Wallace. Mrs. Greenhaw was before her marriage Miss Hattie McCaskell.

BUSINESS MEN REWARD MAPLES

Agricultural Student in D. H. S. Wins Prize For Cantaloupes

Decatur business men awarded a prize of \$7.50 to Fred Maples, vocational agriculture student in Decatur high school for the first crate of cantaloupes to be produced by a Future Farmer. The crate was packed by Mack Cleveland who is in charge of the packing for shipment through the Decatur shed.

Fred Maples, member of the Decatur chapter of the Future Farmers of America, attributed the early setting of fruit to terracing, use of fertilizers and careful cultivation.

Young Maples, assisted by two other future farmers, terraced the land during the Christmas holidays. January 1st, the land was broken deep. January 30th, the nine-foot rows were laid off, and barnyard manure applied in the drill. March 25th, 200 pounds of a 5-15-5 commercial fertilizer was applied in the drill at the rate of 100 pounds per acre. April 4th, the cantaloupe seed were planted, and July 2nd, six ripe cantaloupes were gathered. The crop has been plowed four times, hoed three times, harrowed four times and dusted three times. A total of 120 self hours have been put in on the crop previous to marketing. The crate of cantaloupes was bought by a local firm, the Stevenson Grocery.

SIX SHOOTERLESS OFFICER M'CLURE



TOM M'CLURE

It is a long, long trail that Tom McClure has traveled as a representative of law and order, and along that trail he has had enough thrills to fill a novel of goodly proportions. No veteran in the Canadian Mounted, or in the Rangers of Texas, can lay claim to having more thrills in the chase for bold, bad men—defiers of law, tutored in the school of the survival of the fittest—tightest, if you please—force, brute, overpowering force, against the weak, the timid, than this man.

Not a swashbuckling, walrus-mustached killer intimidator, pistol-packing officer. On the contrary, a mild mannered fellow; smiling, hale and hearty—and, believe me or not, but the records are as wide open as a country hotel bootjack—without pistol, he performed his duties, and, as the Mounted, and the Texas Ranger, he "got his man."

Before coming to Wise county, when he was a stripling, Tom McClure had had a man's experience as an officer of the law. Up in the old Indian Territory, stamping grounds of the country's most desperate, most heartless man-devils, Tom got his training, and he assisted in bringing peace—law and order—to that section.

After reaching his majority, Tom came to Wise county, where he had lived as a boy. Some years after his return, he was elected sheriff of the county, serving two terms. He moved to Jones county, and there he was called to serve as the chief officer. For four years, two terms, he gave the citizens of Jones his best efforts. Fort Worth next claimed Tom as

ROBBERS KILL FT. WORTH MAN

Shot to Death at Lake Worth Early Tuesday Morning—Escape

Police Chief Lee and Captain Wyatt, in Fort Worth, were seeking Tuesday afternoon a man on the North Side who was believed to know the identity of the slayers of Raymond E. Lewis, Jr., 37.

In company with a woman companion, Lewis was shot to death at Inspiration Point No. 2, Lake Worth at 2 a. m. Tuesday. Captain Wyatt, who has been investigating the case since its inception, was confident Lewis was killed by robbers who shot him down when he attempted to resist them.

The man notified Captain Wyatt by telephone Tuesday afternoon that he wished to see him and it was said that he had some information regarding the alleged slayers. His identity was not disclosed by police.

"Stick 'em up!" was the command directed at Lewis just before the fusillade of shots from the slayers' car. Lewis had reached in his pocket. It was the voice of a young man. Two young men in a small car like that driven by the slayers had been seen near the murder scene some hours before the killing.

Miss Lolley Artie, 21, of 2307 Ellis Avenue, who was Lewis' companion, tumbled out of the car and fell down a 20-foot embankment when the shooting began. She covered in the bushes until the slayers had fled.

A movement Lewis made, as if reaching for his gun, might have prompted the fire, she told Captain Wyatt. She said Lewis stuck his hand in his pocket. He was unarmed, and the movement presumably was to "huff" the hold-ups.

Captain Wyatt said that Lewis, an ex-service man, was fearless and that he believed Lewis would not have given in without a struggle.

A bullet fell from Lewis' clothing while the body was being undressed at Shannon's Funeral Chapel.

He had been struck in three places—the center of the chest, the right elbow and the right shoulder. Two of the wounds would have caused death, it was stated. The bullet which struck his shoulder glanced downward into his body.

FORD CARAVAN BRINGS FEATURE

Announcement is made today by the Decatur Motor Co., local Ford dealer, that a special display of Ford commercial units will be held at its place of business on Tuesday, July 14th. This display will be conducted in co-operation with the Dallas branch of the Ford Motor Company, which will bring twenty different body types to add to the units on hand.

The expansion of the Ford commercial line from a few body types to more than fifty in recent months is unprecedented in commercial car history, according to Mr. Helm. "The present effort is to acquaint the public with the various body types, color combinations, tire equipment and springs for a specific load to the end that the lowest ton mile costs may be enjoyed by the users," said Mr. Helm.

In addition to the truck units to be displayed, there will be special mechanical displays, cutaway axles and many other things of interest to the operator of a commercial unit.

The units on display will be utilized to demonstrate to interested parties during the showing, and immediate deliveries will be made.

One of the most interesting features of the display will be the ambulance and funeral coach equipment recently added to the Ford line.

a citizen, and one day he was summoned to serve the people on North Side as their chief of police. He gave them his best—that's Tom—giving his best.

And, we hear, some day he will go seeking the sheriff's office in Tarrant.

Our Rural Readers



The girls' club of Briar are sending Madonna Cox, the highest standing girl in their club, to the Farmers' Short Course at A. & M.

Do you have an orchard that is large enough to supply the family needs? If not, what is your solution for supplying the necessary fruit twice each day?

More than five hundred quarts of food have been preserved this spring by using the county owned cookers and sealers. This food is worth \$125.00 to the people who have.

Wilma Kingsley of the Greenwood club, has canned more than 77 quarts of food for home use this year. Wilma is conducting a garden demonstration and is a second year club girl.

Paul Wright was elected President, Thelma Wilson of Boyd, vice-president, and Buck Shanty of Alvord, secretary, of the Wise county 4-H clubs at the encampment last week.

Ruby Jo Wise, fourth year club girl of the Boyd club, "did herself proud" in the way she handled the girls' meeting out at the reunion grounds. Miss Camp, agent of this district, said that Ruby Jo was one of the best boys' and girls' chairmen that she had ever watched carry on a meeting.

We wish to take this opportunity to express our appreciation to C. L. Christian's furniture store, Mr. Dodson of the Texas Power and Light Company, Mr. Cates, secretary of the chamber of commerce, Mr. Jenkins of the Decatur Hardware Company, the Lions' Club, the Decatur Ice Company, the Wise County Messenger and to all others co-operating with us in making the boys' and girls' encampment a success last week.

The Lone Mound club is sending Mrs. E. A. Pettus to the Farmers' Short Course at A. & M. to represent them at this meeting. The Lone Mound club has not missed sending a delegate to the Farmers' Short Course since the club was organized three years ago. Other clubs might keep their enthusiasm up and learn what other clubs are doing in Texas by going to these meetings.

The report that Mr. Tom Waggoner and his wife would move to Decatur and make this place their permanent home, is an error. It is reported on good authority that Mr. and Mrs. Waggoner will use the old home, east of town, they recently purchased as a stopping place during short visits to Decatur. It is understood that a family will occupy the house, with certain rooms reserved for the Waggoners when they tire of big town life and wish to seek quiet and rest. It is further reported that Mr. Waggoner purchased the place at a tremendous big bargain.

Gas Hughes, local manager of Perkins-Timberlake Co., is in Vernon this week, and Mr. Mann of Bowie, with the company's store at that place, is here.

Miss Mildred Dillehay was in Dallas on business Thursday.

Nikirk Bros. Win Prize Offered by John Jenkins



JENKINS, THE NIKIRK BROS. AND THE PRIZE CANTALOUPES

Widespread interest in the county-wide contest to win the ten dollars gold cash award for the first crate of cantaloupes brought to Decatur, ended last Friday about nine o'clock when Homer and Lewis Nikirk, Alvord farmers, hove into Decatur with the first crate. The ten dollars gold piece was paid them cordially by John Jenkins, manager of the Decatur Hardware Company, who had offered the prize. The quest for this prize had aroused interest all over the county, and about two hours after the Alvord farmers had won, a telephone message came from Chico

that another farmer would leave that place for Decatur within the next few minutes with two crates of the new fruit, with the intention of taking the prize.

Nikirk brothers are among the leading general farmers and specialist melon growers in the Alvord community. Last year they grew cantaloupes and marketed them at Chico with a good cash return. They make a practice of studying and using the best recommended modes of cultivation and never fail to use some form of fertilizer under the crops.

ALLISON NEWS

The weather is much cooler than it was last week. A light shower fell here Friday.

We had 84 in Sunday school last Sunday. The Allison singing class went to Drop Sunday night.

Mrs. Sarah Taylor is spending a few days with her son, Elmer Taylor, and wife, who are the proud parents of a nine pound boy, born July 3. Elmer and his wife live in the Oliver community.

Birdie Wilson of Abilene, visited with home folks here from Friday to Sunday.

Mildred Thompson of Fort Worth spent last week-end with her par-

ents, Mr. and Mrs. Sidney Bullard. Minnie Lambert is visiting with a sister near Rhone.

Sunday visitors in the home of Mr. and Mrs. Dave Lewis were: Mrs. Bud Kellam and children, Dottie Lou and Jacob, Teddy Jo and Maurine Childers, Joyce Bullard, Lillie Mae and John M. Garrett.

Mr. and Mrs. Jewel Marx with Mr. and Mrs. Lee Cox left last Friday for a two weeks' visit in Tennessee.

Mrs. S. A. Lowance has returned to her home in Rhone after a visit with her daughter, Mrs. Edd Childers.

All the pictures at the Majestic are all-talking.

FARMER BOYS TO HAVE CAMP

Preliminary plans for a two day Future Farmer encampment of the Decatur and Boyd Future Farmer chapters, together with prospective vocational agriculture students of Alvord, Chico, and Greenwood, within the next few weeks, were discussed at the first county meeting of the vocational agriculture teachers, held Tuesday afternoon at the local chamber of commerce office. Vocational teachers present included N. P. Stephenson, Decatur; J. M. Cooper, Greenwood; O. J.orton, Chico; J. D. Everheart, Boyd; W. A. Cox, Alvord and O. R. Childress, superintendent of schools at Alvord.

The program of the encampment of the one hundred or hundred and twenty-five students will probably include a swimming party, picture show, base ball game, and perhaps the awarding of certificates of merit to members of the Decatur and Boyd chapters. C. L. Davis, state supervisor of agricultural education, and E. R. Alexander, department of agricultural education of A. & M. College, have been invited to attend the encampment.

With this first meeting of the vocational agriculture teachers, it was unanimously agreed to meet at least once a month to discuss the problems and activities of the different communities of the county and work out a unified county program.

PELLA NEWS

Mr. and Mrs. Brewer of Fort Worth, were recent visitors with her brother, Mr. George Guest and family.

Mr. Shelton Clower and family visited his parents in Alvord Saturday.

Miss Cora and Edna Moss and Imogene Ray were visitors in the home of Mrs. Marvin Monk Wednesday.

Born, to Mr. and Mrs. R. C. Wiley on Thursday, June 11, a son. They named him Lyndale Wayne.

Mr. Isaac Carter and sister, Miss Velma, were recent visitors in the Lewis Patterson home.

Those visiting in the R. C. Wiley home the past week to get acquainted with Lyndale Wayne were Mr. and Mrs. R. L. Washburn, Mr. F. S. Wiley and family, Elvis Lee and Mrs. A. W. Wiley, Lavelle Washburn, Mrs. George Guest and daughter, La Rue, Marvin Monk and son, Lee.

Mrs. Ena Luther has been on the sick list.

STRANGER SLACK THIRST ON GAS

One day last week at the garage and filling station of our genial friend, E. A. Rosenberg, a tired and dusty stranger stopped to quench his thirst at the water hose that is used for filling radiators. Asking no questions of anyone, and as all hands were busy anyway, the stranger proceeded to help himself to the water.

Placing one end of the hose in his mouth, the tired and dusty stranger closed his eyes, and a look of rapture that could be seen a block spread over his face. But soon the look of rapture gave way to a look of fear and consternation. The stranger began kicking and spluttering and acting fitfully. His unusual actions attracted the attention of some of the innocent loafers present, and an investigation was started to see what was ailing the man.

The committee appointed to look into the matter discovered the stranger had mistaken the air hose for the water hose and had suddenly grown from a tall, skinny man to one wide-out, big around, of considerable dimensions cross wise, and of a general round contour. The fact is, the man was so full of air that he almost busted before Pat Lynch and John Lambert, who were standing near, could pull him loose from the hose.

When finally loosed from the hose, the tired and dusty stranger floated up against the rafters of the building and had to be pulled down by the use of a ladder and tied to a post

BRUMLOW NEWS

Mr. and Mrs. W. R. Motes and Mrs. Bathie Woods and children spent Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. Felix Motes.

Mr. and Mrs. Wallace Hill from Wichita Falls, are visiting Mr. and Mrs. D. B. Hillin.

Those visiting in the home of Mr. and Mrs. John Parrish Sunday were: Misses Ella V. Jones, Euphama Walker, Mildred Austin, Jewel and Clois Roberts, Gladys Smith and Messrs. Forrest Carter and Robert Mote.

Mr. Manuel Carbon and son are visiting Mrs. Albert Smith.

Mrs. E. T. Jones visited relatives at Drop last week.

Mr. and Mrs. Dolphie Hillin spent Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. D. B.

with a string to keep him from floating away, like a toy balloon, before first aid could be administered to him. Bert Rosenberg looked the man over and pronounced it a case of too much air. The air gauge showed a pressure of nine hundred and seventy pounds. This was about nine hundred pounds more than the man was guaranteed to carry.

The only thing to do to save the man's life was to put in a new valve core and let some of the pressure off. But while this delicate operation was being performed by one of the mechanics, Carl Rosenberg, the string that held the man to the post was broken or was cut by some miscreant, and the man went floating off across the country in a northwesterly direction with a whistling sound like unto that of a peanut vendor or the exhaust of a busted pipeline. —SKYGAK

Hillin. Mrs. Fessie Austin spent Thursday with Mrs. Dude Laguire. Mr. and Mrs. John Davis of Drop spent Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. E. T. Jones. Mrs. Minnie Evans is visiting Mrs. N. R. Roberts. Mr. and Mrs. Willie Parrish from Dallas, spent the week-end with Mr. and Mrs. J. R. Parrish. Mr. and Mrs. Orval Walker and children, Mr. and Mrs. Walter Rhine and children, Mrs. Bud Rhine and daughter spent Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. Gene Rhine. Those visiting in the home of Mr. and Mrs. N. R. Roberts Saturday were: Misses Mildred Austin, Ella V. Jones, Alma, Lucille and Floryene Foxall, Mrs. Bob Lagrone and daughter, and Mrs. Minnie Evans of Dallas.

Mr. N. J. Patton spent the week-end in Hamilton county.

The revival meeting held by Bro. Glosup closed Friday night, with 15 conversions.

There were fifty-three present at Sunday school Sunday, and all had a good lesson.

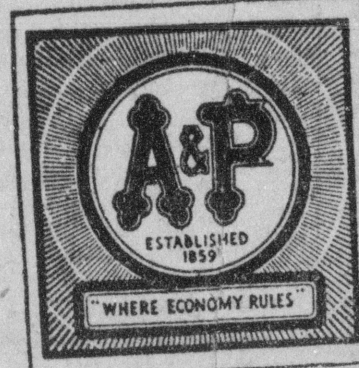
CLASSIFIED ADS.

FOR RENT—3 room apartment, all modern, close in; first house west of telephone building. — MRS. DICK RIEGER 1t

LOST—A pair of white linen slippers, trimmed in black patent leather, between Empire Drug and A-P, Friday, July 3. Finder please return to Messegger office. 1t

LOST—One black kid pump Wednesday, July 8. Call MRS. W. S. STALEY, phone 236, of Messegger office.

WE CARRY OVER A THOUSAND FOOD ITEMS



So we can't very well advertise all of them in this space, no matter how low in price they are.

And the price of all foods has been going down so fast lately that it would be very sensible for you to come in and see for yourself.

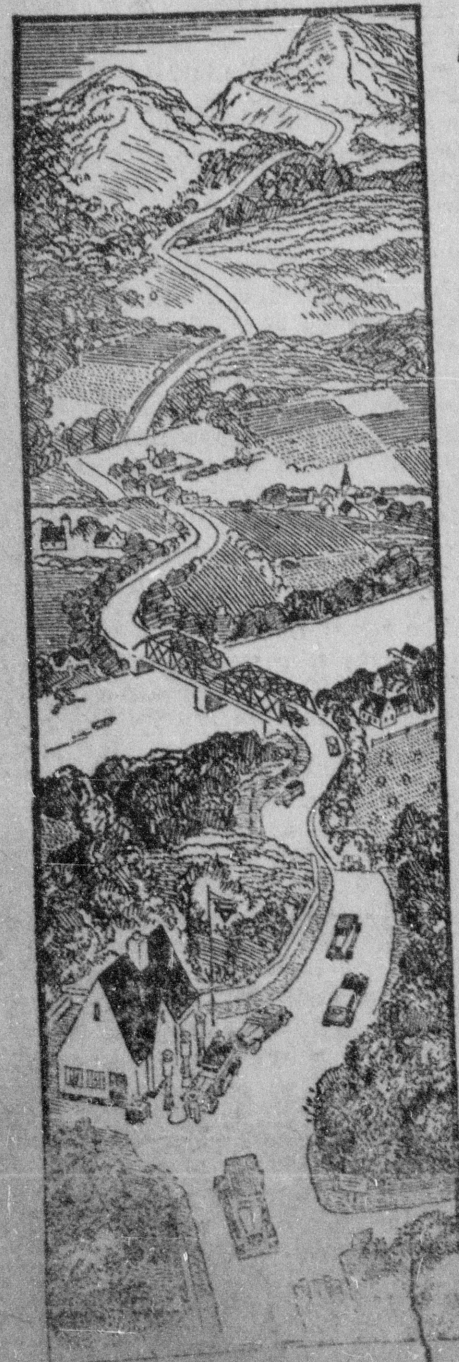
BANANAS—Cheaper by the pound—lb.	40c
BAKERS GOLD FLOUR—48 lbs.	\$1.09
SWIFT JEWEL—8 lbs.	95c
SWIFT ACRON COMPOUND—8 lbs.	87c
SCOTT TISSUE—Toilet Tissue—3 rolls	23c
WALDORF TOILET TISSUE—4 rolls	19c
QUAKER MAID BEANS—Rich tomato sauce, 4 cans	25c
SARDINES—Blue Peter, fancy imported—2 cans	19c
PINEAPPLES—Del Monte Buffet—3 cans	25c
LUX TOILET SOAP—3 cakes	19c
PALMOLIVE SOAP—3 cakes	19c
NECTAR TEA—for iced tea 1-4 lb., 15c; 1-2 lb.	29c
IONA CORN OR PEAS—No. 2 can	10c
FRUIT JAR LIDS—Dozen, 25c; Jar Rings, dozen	5c
KOOKOO SYRUP—5lb., 29c 10 lb.	52c
STANDARD TOMATOES—4 No. 2 cans, 30c; 6 No. 1	30c
CREAM MEAL—25 lbs., 59c; 10 lbs., 26c; 5 lbs.	14c
PINEAPPLE—Del Monte, sliced or crush, No. 2 can	19c

SEE OUR DISPLAY OF HOME GROWN PRODUCE

8 O'clock Coffee - Mild and Mellow Lb. 21c	Grandmother's Bread, white, w. wheat, rolls 5c	White House Milk, 6 small cans, 20c 3 14 1/2 oz., 20c Lb.	Bokar Coffee Supreme 29c
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40,000 Conoco Passport Holders are on Vacation Highways



THESE motorists have requested and received free 1931 Passports from the Conoco Travel Bureau. In addition more than a million are using Conoco Road Maps. Now they are on the highways of America... fishing in the Minnesota Lakes, viewing new scenes in the Rockies, lazying thru restful days in the Ozarks, exploring historic spots in the East... swimming, golfing...enjoying vacation time to the utmost.

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HEALTH CLINIC STARTS TUESDAY

The immunization clinic against typhoid, small pox and diphtheria will start Tuesday, July 21st, at the Owl Clubhouse. It will be the first of a series of three to be given free by the state health department. Persons wanting any or all of these serums are requested to sign the slip below and present it on the day of the clinic to Mrs. T. G. Rogers, chairman.

The Decatur clinic is also for the people of Alford, Greenwood and Slidell. There will be a registered nurse from the health department, and Drs. Rogers, Little and Petty will administer the serums.

At a meeting in the county court room Tuesday afternoon the chairmen from the different towns in the county were present, and plans were perfected for the immunization program. It was decided that first clinics would be held on the following schedule:

Bridgeport, July 14th from 9 to 11, a. m.

Chico, July 14th, 1-3 p. m.

Boyd, July 15th, 9-11 a. m.

Paradise, July 15, 2:30-4:30 p. m.

The people in the Park Springs and Crafts communities are asked to go to Chico for the immunization. The people of Rhine should go to Boyd, and people at Alford, Slidell and Greenwood to Decatur.

This health program is being conducted under representatives from the state health department, and is free to every one wanting to take advantage of it. For any further information phone Mrs. W. C. Shults.

Request for Immunization

I request my child _____

age _____ attending _____

school to be protected from diphtheria, small pox and typhoid fever.

(Please check treatment desired.)

Signed _____

(Parent or Guardian)

Address _____

GOLD FINISHED REFRIGERATOR TO BE SEEN HERE

One of the interesting features of the Ford Caravan to visit Decatur next Tuesday, July 14, is a gold finished General Electric refrigerator mounted on a Ford de luxe delivery car, especially designed for the General Electric Company. This particular refrigerator is a replica of the millionth General Electric refrigerator to be presented to Henry Ford, who will place it in his museum, the Edison Institute of Technology at Dearborn, Michigan. The presentation will be made by Gerard Swope, president of the General Electric Company.

B. Y. P. U. PROGRAM

Following is the program of the B. Y. P. U. of the Montague-Wise Association, to be given at Alford, July 12, 1931, 2:30 p. m.

2:30. Song service, Clyde Wallace.

2:45. Scripture reading.

2:50. Special music, Decatur Union.

2:55. A Pastor's Estimate of his B. Y. P. U., Thomas J. Doss.

3:10. Special music, Bowie Union.

3:15. Standard B. Y. P. U., Frank Wiggins.

3:25. Business session: reading of minutes; awarding of banners; place of next meeting.

3:40. Address, W. Y. Pond.

Please come on time. Send your quarterly report to Thos. J. Doss, at Bowie, Texas.

FUTURE FARMERS ORDER HEGARI SEED

Grain sorghums should replace corn on the uplands of Wis county was the decision reached by members of vocational agriculture class of Decatur high school. The co-operative order of 225 pounds of state certified hegari seed by members of the Decatur chapter of the Future Farmers of America was the result of this decision.

Rolean Kiddle secured 20 pounds of this order and planted a 3-acre project. The crop was hoed twice and plowed twice. On July 3rd the hegari was nearly five feet high and beginning to head, with an average of one to five heads per plant. The leaves were green to the ground and showed no signs of suffering from drouth while corn in the same field was beginning to burn up. Rolean feels that decisions based on experiment station results, the latest information from specialists coupled with farming experience in the community, is rather sound, and is certainly working out in his hegari project.

Mr. Bill Domrese and sister, Marie, of St. Louis, Mo., and Miss Dorothy Huffines of Fort Worth, were guests of Miss Opal Tyson over the week-end.

Mr. and Mrs. B. F. Roe and family, Mr. and Mrs. Pleasant Roe and Miss Reta Roe, of Fort Worth, spent the Fourth in Marietta, Okla.

Mr. and Mrs. W. W. Walker, of

Not.

WANTS TO WED PRISONER HERE

Ever since Hector was a little puppy, and before, according to all records available, the little god of love, Daniel Cupid, has been persistent, continually on the job, when two hearts were making endeavor to throb as one. He has climbed mountain peaks, crossed oceans, sailed in the air and gone down in the bowels of the earth—to perform his duties in love affairs. He is no respecter of persons—all he wants to know is, are the hearts involved in tune, and from his well-supplied quiver he draws his arrows and starts shooting. From pole to pole he has worked industriously—everywhere, in every clime. Some say Danny is a mischief maker; and there are multiplied millions who avow he is the truest, dearest little rascal this side of the celestial regions. Anyway, and be that as it may, when he got busy with the hearts of Frank Britton, in the county jail, and under forty year sentences for robbing banks, and Miss Edith Blair of Wichita Falls, 22, and attractive as red-top boots, he laughed at bars and jury and court decrees. But Dan did not calculate on the late ruling of a Texas legislature, that participants in marriage rites be supplied with health certificates, pronouncing them sound in body, etc. So, when Miss Edith appeared in Decatur this week to be wedded to Frank, she discovered that her hero-superman-ideal-love-dovey was not in condition to take unto himself an adoring, worshipping wife, according to reports of physician, following an examination. And Dan of the House of Cupid was routed.

CHEVROLET GAIN IN PRODUCTION

Production of Chevrolet cars and trucks in June totaled 84,597 units as against 78,472 in the same month of 1930. W. S. Knudsen, president and general manager announced last week.

The June figure brought the output of the company for the first six months of the year to 522,232 units, Mr. Knudsen said.

Production during June compares with 112,852 cars and trucks built in May, which was the highest month's output since July, 1929. The decline in production from May to June this year, however, was 6,000 units less than during the corresponding period last year, indicating a seasonal decline rather than the abrupt drop experienced last June, when the slump in general business first was felt by Chevrolet, Mr. Knudsen said.

Of the volume during the month just ended 78,734 units were built for the domestic market as against 70,160 a year ago, a fact which Mr. Knudsen interprets as further evidence of improvement in the United States in retail buying over a year ago, at least as far as Chevrolet is concerned.

The margin of difference by which production in 1931 exceeded that of 1930 has gradually narrowed month by month this year, and with the output curve intersecting last year's during the May-June period, sales in June and every remaining month of the year are expected to exceed the corresponding months of last year, Mr. Knudsen stated.

Ruben Stripes of Waukegan, Ill., charged William O'Bee of trying to bite off his nose, but O'Bee was released when he exposed a set of toothless gums.

of Mr. Stovall's sister in Waurika, Okla., Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Roy Taylor of Lubbock, are spending a few days with Mr. J. W. Taylor.

Mr. Floyd Haynes was a Paradise visitor last week.

Mr. and Mrs. Ruf Coleman from Fort Worth, visited his parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Coleman, Saturday.

Mrs. Wes Bramlett has been on the sick list.

SENATOR ONEAL FOR CONGRESS

Ben G. Oneal, state senator, announced Monday night at Wichita Falls that he would enter the race for congress from the thirteenth district to succeed Representative Guinn Williams of Decatur, who will not seek re-election.

Senator Oneal is a native of West Texas and has been a practicing attorney at Wichita Falls for many years. He sponsored considerable tax legislation, both special and general, in the last legislature, and was active in behalf of the oil industry. He made his first political campaign in seeking the state senatorship in 1930.

As a punishment for drunken driving, the judge prescribed for Mrs. Etta Blanchard of Long Beach, Cal., a \$200 fine and one day in jail each week for four weeks consecutively.

JOHNNIE DUNN TO LEAD BAND

Only young friend, Johnnie Dunn, son of Tom Dunn, seems determined to make a good finish of his college days over in Denton, and after receiving his B. A. degree in Teachers' College, he is now engaged in leading a musical organization of the school. Young Dunn worked his way thru to his degree. The following is copied from the Denton Record-Chronicle:

At the organization of a beginner's band at Teachers' College Monday afternoon at the music hall, 10 persons were present. The band will be under the direction of Johnnie Dunn, a Teachers' College student and member of the Eagle band and under the sponsorship of Floyd Graham, director of the regular college band.

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BEER RUNNER BURIED IN CAS.

RETI COSTING \$20,000

New York.—Encased in a German silver coffin said to have cost \$20,000, and preceded by thirty-five carloads of floral offerings, the body of Daniel Iamasca, Bronx beer runner, slain by the police last Thursday morning, was buried in St. Raymond's cemetery Monday. Iamasca was a body guard of Arthur (Dutch Schultz) Flegenheimer.

Following the huge casket came seventy-five coaches filled with mourners and behind the coaches came fifty private automobiles. A dozen plain clothes men attended the funeral, in the belief that some of Iamasca's friends of the underworld might appear, but few known racketeers were present.

To permit the crowds to inspect the silver coffin, it was carried around the block surrounding his home on the shoulders of six men before it was put in a hearse.

Because her husband would not eat his meals at home, Mrs. A. C. Davidson of Tulsa, Okla., filed a divorce suit.

PRESKITT NEWS

Mrs. Jonah Collins of Paradise, is spending a few days with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. A. M. Crowder, this week.

Mr. Glen Coleman of Fort Worth, spent Sunday with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Coleman.

Mr. and Mrs. T. J. Pound had as guest Sunday, Mr. and Mrs. J. M. O. Rogers.

Born, to Mr. and Mrs. Roy Gordon Friday, July 3, a son.

Mr. Monroe Stovall and Miss Jewel Crowder attended the wedding

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Thursday Morning, July 9, 1931

Forty Years Ago

July 11, 1891.

The first bales of new cotton have been marketed down on the Texas coast, and now the first bale has begun its steady march northward.

D. H. Bishop will teach the East Mound school this fall.

J. T. Holt of the Annerville country, kindly called on Tuesday.

Ban Johnson is teaching a subscription school at Paradise. He will teach the Wilson Prairie school again this fall and winter.

J. W. Watson of Rhome, has filed suit for damages against the Western Union telegraph company for failure to deliver a message announcing the decease of plaintiff's wife's sister.

Bring us some roasting ears on subscriptions.

Frank McDonald of Rush Creek near Paradise, dropped in to see us Thursday. He says he has recently caught 7 foxes, 2 wild cats, 10 coons and a rattlesnake, 5 feet 7 inches long with 17 rattles and a button.

Miss Beulah Burk, who has been visiting relatives and friends in Cleburne and Fort Worth, returned Friday.

Gen. J. B. Weaver is announced to speak in Fort Worth on August 5th.

The Baptists are talking of building a church house at Sunset.

Clarence Wharton will teach the next public school at Boonsville.

Twenty Years Ago

July 7, 1911.

Born, to Dr. and Mrs. S. J. Petty, on Friday, June 30, a daughter.

Misses Dollie and Cora Boyd are visiting relatives in Oklahoma.

Mr. and Mrs. Carl Christian from Slidell, were here several days this week.

District Attorney Hugh D. Spencer is down from Memphis for a few days on a visit to his homefolks.

Mrs. McIlhenny of Dallas, is here on a visit to her parents, Mr. and Mrs. C. C. Jones. She will remain until after the reunion.

Mrs. S. S. Cobb and little granddaughter, Miss Mary Lou Cobb, of Dallas, are the guests of friends and relatives in the city.

Cards have been received announcing the wedding of W. Henry Hobbs and Miss Jessie Granger, which will occur in Polytechnic next Sunday, July 9th.

Major C. O. Elliott was here Saturday and mustered in the new military company organized by Captain Read. Forty-five men were mustered in. The officers stood a creditable examination.

Mrs. Sue Newton Long of Chicago, Mesdames Terrell and Battle, of Dallas, guests of Dr. and Mrs. J. P. Turner at Slidell, were in the city Wednesday.

Accustomed to tea since his childhood, John Rodgers of Los Angeles said in a divorce suit that his wife insisted on giving him coffee and thereby spoiled his pleasure in life.

Education begins the gentleman, but reading, good company, and reflection finish him.—Locke.

Timeley Topics

This year's crop of honorary degrees has been large, as usual, many new Doctors of Laws and what not having been conferred. Unique among recent titles conferred was that of "Knight of the Kingdom of God," bestowed upon John D. Rockefeller, not by a college, but by Euclid Avenue Baptist church of Cleveland, for his "distinguished service to humanity." Time was when the head of Standard Oil was looked upon as a prince of the lower regions.

An attack of apendicitis did not prevent the presentation of Miss Virginia Dawes, daughter of the American ambassador, to King George and Queen Mary at the royal court recently. Although suffering severely, Miss Dawes stuck it out until her great experience was over, then had the offending appendix removed.

A dying request that pet animals be killed need not be heeded, according to Judge Hanby of Los Angeles. As a result of his decision three fine dogs and two Persian cats will be allowed to live. They belonged to the late Mrs. Winterman who ordered that they be killed upon her death for fear they would fall into unfriendly hands and be unhappy. Thousands of letters and telegrams were received protesting against the execution of the animals. They will be cared for by Mr. Winterman.

An unusual collision occurred on the Great Northern railway in Minnesota, a few days ago, when the crack limited train Empire Builder, running at full speed, collided with a tornado. All eleven pullmans composing the train were lifted into the air and strewn along the right of way, only the locomotive remaining on the tracks. One man was killed and twenty or more were hurt out of 119 passengers on board.

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LOCAL NEWS

Mrs. John Jenkins was a Fort Worth visitor last Tuesday.

Worth Arnette was a Denton visitor last week.

Mr. and Mrs. Jack Rieger were in Dallas Friday on business.

Wilbur Spain was a Fort Worth visitor last Saturday.

Charles F. Harding was a visitor in Fort Worth Tuesday.

Ernest Richter was in Bridgeport Friday.

Miss Olive Ruth Chilton was here from Bridgeport last week.

Milton New was a Bridgeport visitor last week.

Joe Dillhay was in Bridgeport on last Friday night.

All the pictures at the Majestic are all-talking.

Scott W. Hickey was in Fort Worth last Sunday.

Homer Williamson of Lamesa, is visiting here this week.

Miss Opal Tyson is in Fort Worth this week visiting friends.

Miss Hope Ayres of Bowie is visiting Miss Opal Culp here this week.

E. P. Mitchell and family of Olney are visiting in the home of W. L. Mowery.

Mrs. Dana B. Benson and daughter of Bowie, have been visiting Mrs. J. I. McDaniel here.

Estes Allison of Wichita Falls, visited his grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. W. W. Shelton, here this week.

Mr. and Mrs. Lee Clement are visiting relatives in Atlas, Okla., this week.

Cecil Jennings and J. Walter Woods, Jr., are spending their vacation in Glen Rose, Texas, this week.

Mmes. B. A. Man and Robert Sellers were Fort Worth visitors on last Monday.

Mrs. C. W. Stone and daughter, Miss Eloise, were Bowie visitors on last Thursday.

Mr. and Mrs. Marion Askey and daughter of Olney, visited Mr. and Mrs. Henry Askey here Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Will Beason and son of Houston, are visiting Mr. and Mrs. Ray Lawson here this week.

Mrs. Paul Finn of Sunset, is visiting Mr. and Mrs. Charley Davis and family here this week.

Mrs. J. A. Vandiver is visiting her daughter, Mrs. L. N. Maxwell at Greenwood.

Miss Katherine Maxwell of Greenwood spent several days last week with her aunt, Mrs. R. S. Miller.

Mr. and Mrs. S. L. Campbell and Miss Vance of Nocona, visited Mr. and Mrs. R. S. Miller this week.

Mrs. Ette Heflin of Walters, Oklahoma, spent the week-end with relatives here.

Mrs. Titus Mitchell of Bowie and children are visiting relatives here this week.

Mr. and Mrs. Virgil Miller of Greenville visited Mr. and Mrs. John Jenkins here last week-end.

Mrs. S. P. Smith left Monday for Denver, Colo., where she will spend a summer.

Mr. and Mrs. Jim St. Clair and daughter visited home folks here last week end.



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Mr. and Mrs. Fred Milligan of Greenwood, were Decatur visitors on Sunday.

Mrs. G. W. Splawn visited her daughter, Mrs. Floyd Clifton, last week.

Mrs. J. B. Hamilton left Monday for a visit in Fort Worth and Mineral Wells.

Miss Ophelia Lobdell of Fort Worth, is visiting her cousin, Miss Mary B. Lobdell, here this week.

Mr. and Mrs. M. P. Jeffers and daughter, Miss Faye, have returned from the Ozark mountains.

Misses Rheta and Anna Pearl Lynch of Chico, were in Decatur on Sunday night.

Paul Young and Nolan Bodyston were in Bridgeport on last Saturday night.

Miss Lettie Agnes Workman visited Miss Rita Lynch in Chico last week.

J. B. Roach, Lloyd Wyatt and Elmer Richter were in Chico on last Friday night.

Mrs. E. L. Barksdale and daughter, Lucille, of Chico, were Decatur shoppers last Monday.

Miss Inez Bryan is visiting friends and relatives in Palestine this week.

Misses Pauline Hoffman and Frances Spencer were in Bridgeport Friday night.

Ralph Spain and Ernest Richter attended the Bridgeport picnic last Saturday night.

Mrs. C. C. Taylor of Irian, Texas, was a Decatur shopper on last Monday.

Mrs. J. H. Taylor of Littlefield, Texas, was a Decatur visitor Monday.

See "The Spell of the Circus" at the Majestic Saturday; it will thrill you.

Carl Rosenburg attended the Fourth of July picnic at Bridgeport Saturday night.

Mrs. Eta Counts visited in Bridgeport and Chico last Saturday and Sunday.

Marvin Roach was on duty as a special officer during the picnic at Bridgeport.

Miss Louise Lynch of Decatur college, spent the week-end with home-folks in Chico.

Misses Sarah Gibson and Jane Stephens of Chico, were Decatur visitors Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. L. C. Boyd and son, of Olney, visited Mr. and Mrs. W. W. Boyd here last week-end.

Homer Gotcher and family were in attendance at the picnic at Bridgeport last Saturday night.

Miss Eloise McDaniel is spending the summer in Canyon, Texas, and Arizona.

Mr. W. M. Sanders of Dallas, was through Decatur Saturday on his way to West Texas.

Miss Laura Frances Brady visited Mrs. B. B. Baxter in Bowie this week.

Mr. and Mrs. Floyd Dodd, and Mrs. Benson of Bowie, with Mrs. J. I. McDaniel, visited in Fort Worth last week.

Orus Mconey and George Cunnius, who for the past several months have been in South Texas, returned to their homes here Monday.

Misses Grace Bell and Bell Ford of North Texas State Teachers College at Denton were week-end visitors in Decatur.

Scott W. Hickey left Monday for Mountain Park, Okla., where he is to conduct a camp meeting. He was accompanied by his daughter, Alice.

Mrs. G. M. Adams and daughter, Miss Lillian, of the Allison community, were Decatur shoppers on Monday.

Mrs. Georgia Cobb and daughter, Miss Ethel, and Mrs. T. E. Berry of Paradise, were Decatur visitors last Monday.

Miss Ella Bess Hill of North Texas State Teachers College at Denton visited Miss Gladys Thomason here last week end.

J. E. Boyd, who has been visiting for the past few weeks with relatives in St. Paul, Minn., returned to his home here last week.

W. E. Mitchell, Edgar Lambert, Roy Richter, Carl Rhine and Warren Thompson visited William Montgomery, who is seriously ill at the Harris hospital in Fort Worth.

A meeting of members of the old band and others interested in the maintenance of a band is called in the chamber of commerce office Friday night at 8 o'clock, and all who are interested are urged to attend.

James Allen Parr, who has been visiting with relatives in Vega, Texas, returned to his home here on last Monday. He was accompanied home by his aunt, Miss Mae Mecaskey who will visit friends and relatives here.

Mr. and Mrs. Dick Reeves and daughter, Miss Clara Mae, visited Mrs. Ward Henderson in Rising Star last Sunday. They were accompanied home by Mary Frances, who has been visiting Mrs. Henderson for the past month.

Rural Letter Carriers William Brown, Ben Johnson, Brock Roach, John Kendrick, G. W. Burkett, accompanied by Mrs. Burkett and Mrs. Brown, are attending the state meeting of the rural letter carriers' association in Waco. Homer Williamson, former member of the local force, came in from Silerton, and joined the Decatur delegation.

Mr. and Mrs. George W. Tyson entertained the following relatives at their home over the week-end: Mrs. J. J. Walker and Mr. and Mrs. J. R. Walker and son, Jerry, of Paul's Valley, Okla., Mr. and Mrs. C. J. Tyson and daughter of Dallas, Mr. and Mrs. A. C. Porter of Fort Worth, Mr. and Mrs. A. R. Tyson of Abilene and Mr. and Mrs. Bud Tyson and children, Josephine and Billie Jack, of Sanger.

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FOURTH OF JULY PICNIC AT HOME OF W. L. MOWERY

A Fourth of July was given at the home of W. L. Mowery. Games were played and ice cream was served to the following: Obie Reeves and family, Miss Smith of Sycamore, Dick Cook and wife, Mr. Claude Boyd and family, Charlie Tackle and family, Joe Hilton and family, J. L. Balts and wife, Joe Wilhite and family, Simp Privitt and wife, Charlie Privitt and wife, Lewis Pounds, Misses Maxine Longmire and Mildred Cook, Freddie Maples, Clyde Barrett and family.

DOUBLE WEDDING

R. T. and E. D. Best, sons of Mr. and Mrs. Nap Best of Decatur, formerly of Greenwood, were married, Monday, June 29th, in Chicago, to Miss Helen C. Schnase of Chicago, and Miss Adeline H. Krueger of Wausau, Wis., respectively.

Mr. R. T. Best is connected with one of the leading radio concerns of Chicago.

Mr. E. D. Best is a salesman for the Brown and Williamson Tobacco Corporation of Louisville, Ky., with headquarters in Milwaukee, Wis.

Mmes. Kenny Renshaw and W. M. Burch and Misses Jacobina and Katherine Burch were visitors in Mineral Wells last week.

OAK GROVE SINGING

There will be singing at Oak Grove next Sunday at 2:30 o'clock. Everybody is invited to attend and join in the singing.

JONES-STOVAL

Miss Emma Stovall and Enos G. Jones were united in marriage, Sunday, July 5th, 1 p. m., at the home of the pastor of the First Methodist church at Waurika, Okla., with the pastor, Rev. T. J. Trévette, officiating.

The bride was given in marriage by her mother, Mrs. B. F. Stovall.

Guests at the wedding were: Miss Jewel Crowder, Mr. Monroe Stovall, Mr. and Mrs. W. W. Cantrell and Grant Stovall of Ninnekah, Okla., and L. D. Stovall of Dallas.

The bride is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. B. F. Stovall, farmer-stockman, who live near Bridgeport. The young people will be at home at the groom's residence in Decatur.

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On the Street

"When I get despondent, and get it into my head that everything is running against me; that hard luck is camping on my trail day and night, and that the long lane has no turn. When I spend sleepless nights in figuring how in the devil the tongue is going to come in contact with the buckle; when fair weather friends become known, and what I took for friendship turns to fraud; when it looks as though I have played my last effort to meet the situation; when the clouds are lowering and casting destructive shadows across my path, as I grope beneath a burden greater than I can bear—I arouse myself, and take a stroll. And, by golly, almost on the next corner, I meet a fellow, and another one—in poor health, downcast, broke, and with tales of hardships that have mine backed off the complaining board. On down the street I go, and I come face-to-face with another, whose story of hard-luck is alarming. I retrace my steps, get back to my work. As I labor I catch myself whistling the soft refrain of 'Blue Tail Fly.' There is a rift in the clouds, and beyond I see the cerulean sky—bidding, beckoning. After all, I muse, I am not down and out, by a jug-ful."—Deductions taken from the musings of a fellow who thought he was the hand-picked victim of hard-luck.

Mrs. Robert Bates and daughter of Sanger, were visiting friends in Decatur recently. They were welcome visitors at the Messenger office. Before her marriage, Mrs. Bates was Miss Mohie Reddy, member of a prominent pioneer family of Denton county. The visit of this splendid lady and her charming daughter at the editor's sanctum, caused us to deal in some reminiscences; for we knew Mrs. Bates when she was a young lady in Denton, and we played ball with Bob Bates before he became a married man. Decatur ball fans of the old days will remember Bob, or "Shamrock" Bates, as one of the best ball players of the day, a fine, companionable fellow, and a wit of the first water. He played with semi-pro teams through this section, and when Will Miller managed a paid team in Decatur, Bates was employed to pitch a number of games. In those days this Messenger editor and our boon companion, Ed McCormick, in company with Bob Bates, played with Gainesville, Era and Ardmore in a number of hotly contested games; and we remember one game in particular, in Gainesville, when George Blackburn, who was the baseball idol in all that section, in a very unlady-like manner banished the three of us from the park. Some fellow had slipped the information to Blackburn, that McCormick of our trio had been "gotten to" by the manager of the opposing team, and the three of us were to throw the game. There was not a word of truth in the report, but the big burly Blackburn could not be convinced otherwise. El Blythe, present manager of the Majestic theater, played with Bates, and remembers him as a good ball player and a most likable fellow.

Mr. and Mrs. Jay Ingram of Los Angeles, Calif., are visiting home-folks here.

MURRAY HEADS COTTON ASSN.

R. J. "Bob" Murray of Lubbock, has been elected by the board of directors of the Texas Cotton Cooperative Association as general manager, and it is understood will assume his duties within the next several weeks, announcement was made on Wednesday by association officials.

Mr. Murray has for twenty years been closely identified with the farming, banking and business interests of the state, particularly in the West Texas area, and at present is general land agent of the Santa Fe railway system, with direct supervisory and advisory capacities over some 2,500 farms of the section embracing approximately 400,000 acres. Mr. Murray, through tenants, operates some 3,000 acres of his own in Deaf Smith, Dickens, Garza, Lubbock and Cochran counties. He also has been closely identified with all civic matters in that section, having been president of the Slaton and Lubbock chambers of commerce, former president of the Slaton and Lubbock Rotary clubs, former president of the south plains boy scout movement, mayor of Slaton for eight years, and at present president and director of the Slaton State bank with bank interests in other institutions.

Mr. Murray stated that opportunity for his association with the cooperative movement in an official capacity came as a surprise to him but that in accepting the position he did so "for the great opportunity that was presented to render a service to the cotton farmers of Texas. 'The movement is right,' Mr. Murray said. 'It has made material progress, and I am sure that within the next five years we shall see the cotton cooperatives of the south practically in control of cotton marketing. I am confident,' he stated, 'that deliveries to the Texas association this season will materially increase over the 610,000 bales delivered last year.'

Commenting upon the opposition that has been launched against the movement, Mr. Murray said that "the opposition is not particularly interested in the attack they are making against the farm board and the agricultural marketing act, but they are intensely interested, through this source, of preventing the farmers further organizing themselves into an efficient business organization." That the primary reason behind the success of the cooperative marketing program rested in the farmers' faith was brought out by Mr. Murray.

"The farmer has faith in the agricultural marketing act, in the administration of the cooperative structure by the various state cotton cooperative associations, in the capabilities and management of the federal farm board, and in the knowledge that the farm board exercises strict supervision over the state units," he said.

Mr. Murray has resided in Texas practically all of his mature life, and has been closely identified with agriculture in its various phases. He is a strong believer in the matter of farm diversification, a well balanced farm program, and the adaption generally of the farm 'live-at-home' policy. In his connection with the same 2,500 farms from Gaines county on the south to Ochiltree county on the north, he has stressed these factors, and has been largely instrumental in furnishing money on long-time repayment to stock these farms with cows and hogs.

It is understood that Mr. Murray and his family, a wife and two sons, will shortly make their residence in Dallas.

HOOVER PLAN AT WORK

Definite arrangements for a meeting of a committee of experts to work out the details of applying President Hoover's moratorium plan were made yesterday and the meeting is to be held in London next week.

In most of the capitals of Europe and in other countries of the world, the Franco-American agreement was hailed with satisfaction and enthusiasm.

European stock markets generally reacted favorably to the announcement of the accord, although the New York stock market broke sharply during the day, recording net losses of from \$2 to nearly \$10 a share.

Secretary Stimson left Paris for the Riviera and the impression prevailed that the part of the United States in sponsoring the moratorium was virtually ended. London was of the opinion that the experts' task would be a heavy one, and Rome announced that it is now ready to participate in any conferences regarding the operation of the plan.

In a proclamation issued to the people, the German government warned that greater economy than ever before is necessary. It promised that the money released by the moratorium will be used only to assist the country's economic recovery.

At Washington the state department was at work on a mass of details, and the administration expected that one important consequence of the moratorium will be an advance to world disarmament.

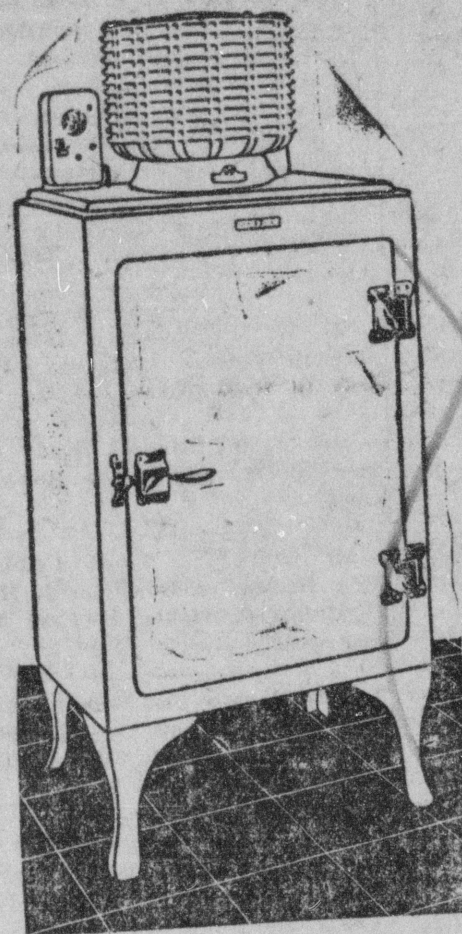
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Read the advertisements in this issue of the Messenger; a little time spent in this manner will pay big dividends.

When J. W. Wolf of Le Panto, Ark., awoke from a nap he found a large water moccasin coiled around his thigh.

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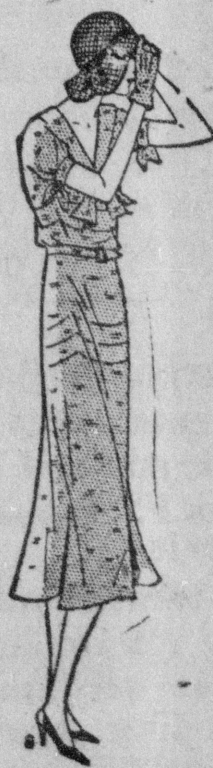
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Thursday, July 9, 1931

SHORT COURSE A. & M. COLLEGE

College Station, Texas.—Members of the state's official family who will appear as speakers during the twenty-second annual farmers' short course at the Texas A. & M. College, July 27-31, include Commissioner J.



J. E. McDonald of the department of agriculture, and William J. Tucker,



executive secretary of the game, fish and oyster commission. Commissioner McDonald and Mr. Tucker are scheduled to appear on the general program Wednesday morning, July 29th. Commissioner McDonald will discuss "The State Department of Agriculture Serving Texas Farmers," and Mr. Tucker will speak on "Game as an Auxiliary Farm and Ranch Crop."

The Destructive Rat

Of all the pests which infest the world, the rat is undeniably one of the worst. So great has the menace of rats become that an international association for their extermination has been organized.

Not only do rats destroy millions of dollars worth of farm products every year, but they are a menace to health through the fleas which infest them and spread diseases of various kinds, such as bubonic plague and trichinosis and hydrophobia.

It is said that one couple of gray rats will produce 800 to 900 offsprings in a year as the young become adults in four months. If all were able to find food and shelter it can readily be seen that they would ultimately overrun a community.

The program recommended for combatting rats includes the building of rat-proof structures, the cutting off of their food supply and the poisoning of those which survive the preventive measures.

TEXAS HAS HEAVY LOSS OF MARRIAGE

Written with due respect to the State Hospital, Pueblo, Colorado. This is from one that has been scorched, but I still have principle. The fires that I have been thru have just refined my soul and made it more beautiful.

Like the rock which contains selinite ore, it has to be heated in an assayer's furnace to a terrific heat before it will pour out pure virgin gold.

I could only pray:
Our Father which art in heaven,
Hallowed be thy name;
Thy kingdom come,
Thy will be done.

How could I say more—Amen. I notice that the ministers of the country are going to take up the matter of renovating our old wooden crosses. I happen to know that it is already quite heavy and it is getting rotten, and new lumber is needed.

Now if they are really anxious to help with remodeling crosses, I would suggest that they apply at once to any of our state hospitals.

They are needing everything from oil to safety pins, and are in greater need of some one to apply them.

I'm in favor of sending our next missionaries into the tombs right here at home, and the ministers and the priests along to assist them.

I spent six months exploring in the Pueblo, Colo., tomb, at the foot of their cross. And it is food for thought. They won't have to imagine an illusion there.

There they can find the Jonah's whale they have been worrying about all these years. And Eve, with no fig leaf at all. And Paul, Peter and John; Daniel's lions aren't all tame yet, but don't tell them that.

And, too, I notice that Okla. Homa, a half breed, has been putting striped bark in the troughs of our cattle, and maybe loco weed for our horses, and too we have the evidence that she was last seen molesting our watch dogs, until our young people are developing running fits. However, they still know enough to return to our bosoms to be nursed. And our milk strainer has developed all kinds of holes, but no wonder, for poor old Lot sifted salt thru it for years.

I wonder if East Africa could help us unite these "Divided States of America." His high principle and manly character inspires me. I would to God we had one-tenth the respect for a little unborn babe as he.

He who subjects himself to the blazing torrid sun, stripped naked, and tied down to stakes, and poisonous insects of all descriptions puffing his body with their venom; slashed and gashed by his tormentors, he writhes in agony, a living truth of the greatest human sacrifice for a clean physically begotten precious little African babe. The sand that is rubbed into those wounds leaves real, not imaginary, evidence of the nails that pierced his hands.

What beathens we!
Too much respect for his Almighty God to come to the altar with a serawny, withered body to give one in its likeness, to a God's soul. Pity they have not the chance to have as fine a God, intellect, as we.

Man was given the opportunity of furnishing the flesh for the soul. God still furnishes his part. What have we to bring to the altar?

Mind develops according to its use and material deteriorates according to its use. Man went into flesh thinking in Genesis and has tried to lower our minds too.

But even a snake has flesh and blood, and they don't recall the begetting. And each tiny babe resembles its forefather of a thousand years ago. All are perfect featured and there are no half idiots. No wonder India has such respect for its Almighty God, good.

No excess in anything was partaken of by the snake, or humble, creeping, crawling things of the earth.

NELL FOREMAN, Paradise, Tex.
Sewing buttons on his skin and calling it an eruption has put a French soldier named Didelet in jail.

STUDY MADE OF PECAN PESTS

Within the comparatively short space of two weeks a large part of the 1931 Texas pecan crop has been destroyed by the nut case-bearer, according to J. H. Burkett, pecan chief in the department of agriculture at Austin.

From personal inspections all over the state and from reports by inspectors for the department, Burkett estimates the damage done by the insect the last two weeks in June may run as high as 50 per cent of the crop. Prior to the invasion, prospects had been excellent for a bumper crop.

This pest is the worst enemy of the pecan in Texas, some estimating that it destroys as much as three-fourths of the crop yearly. The insect has as many as three of four generations a year, making the damage four-fold.

Means of combating the insect are still of doubtful value, Burkett said. Arsenate of lead is recommended by some growers as a spray. If used a careful schedule must be followed, starting in the early spring when the insect first attacks the small nutlets, this being the first or spring generation of the case-bearer.

Control of the case-bearer, Burkett said, may be possible within the next few years, contingent upon the success of experiments, being conducted at the federal experiment station at Brownwood by Dr. C. L. Nichols, and by Dr. S. W. Bilsing of A. & M. College. Dr. Bilsing's work is principally in sprays, while Dr. Nichols is experimenting in the arti-

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ficial propagation of a deadly enemy of the case-bearer, the parasitic insect trichogramma.

The trichogramma deposits its eggs in the eggs of the case-bearer. Dr. Nichols has found that the trichogramma also is a parasite of the corn weevil, and present experiments are concerned with the feasibility of propagating the insect in

the corn weevil eggs. Some 200 bushels of corn were used at the Brownwood station this year in propagating the weevil, which in turn was host to the trichogramma. Last month Dr. Nichols began experiments in four experimental groves, freeing thousands of the insects in each grove, where they were expected to seek out the case-bearers' eggs.

Results of the experiment have not yet been ascertained.

Cost of artificially propagating the parasite is a problem. Whether it can be produced cheaply enough to make the use of the parasite commercially feasible has not yet been determined.

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County School News

By Mrs. Oma Cartwright, Supt.

Transfers

Patrons desiring to transfer their children to another district from the one in which they were enumerated are reminded that the applications for transfer must be filed in the county superintendent's office by August 1st. According to the recent ruling by the Supreme Court, children must be transferred in order that they may be entitled to free tuition, even though they may have moved into the district to live. All children in the district who have been enumerated and who are above the grades to be taught in the home school must transfer to some school offering their subjects in order that the home district may pay their tuition and be reimbursed from the state fund.

One-teacher schools may teach only the first seven grades, two-teacher schools, the first eight grades, three-teacher schools, the first nine grades and four-teacher schools, the first ten grades.

Boonsville and Crafton are expecting to employ the fourth teacher for the coming school year.

The county board of education has granted Joe Bailey, Red Willow and Briar permission to teach the tenth grade on condition the pupils taking tenth grade work will take the college entrance examinations in the spring.

Organization of School Boards

Trustees of some schools in the county have not yet taken the oath of office. All such are urged to do so at once. These oaths, together with the report of the organization of the school board and the date on which each trustee's term expires, are to be filed with the county superintendent in order that the required records may be kept.

Teachers' Contracts

Under the new rural aid law, ALL schools expecting to apply for aid must have all teachers' and bus drivers' contracts approved by the county superintendent before the school may receive aid. The teachers' contracts must be made on the regulation form furnished by the state department through the county superintendent's office. Teachers' certificates and bus drivers' bonds must be registered by the county superintendent before the contracts can be approved.

PARADISE NEWS

Mrs. Ernest Sisco and daughters have returned to their home at McCamey after spending several days with relatives here.

C. J. Young of Levelland, is visiting with relatives and friends this week.

Wilmer McAfee and family of Fort Worth, have been visiting with relatives here.

Mr. and Mrs. Harry Mann, Levelland are visiting with home folks here.

Cone Green and Bruce Blackford, who are attending school at Denton, were shaking hands with friends in our little town last week-end.

Mr. and Mrs. Rob Fisher from West Texas, is visiting his mother Mrs. Charles Easley and family, and other relatives here.

Billie Green, Jr., of Levelland, is here among his little friends and school mates.

Roy C. Coffee spent the week-end with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Henry Coffee.

Mr. and Mrs. J. G. Siddons, daughter and mother, Mrs. E. S. Wright, were visitors in Decatur last Monday.

LONE MOUND NEWS

Mr. and Mrs. Kitchens of Ardmore Okla., spent a few days last week with Mr. and Mrs. Jake Monroe.

Mr. and Mrs. Mose Ray of Fort Worth, spent one day last week with Mr. and Mrs. Marvin Wiley.

Mr. Hailey Butler and daughter of Florida, and Mr. and Mrs. Melne of Gainesville, spent Sunday with Mrs. Gilbert.

Mr. and Mrs. Broe Ray and family of the Joe Bailey community, Mr. and Mrs. Prince Claborn of the Red Door community, and Mr. and Mrs. George Reed spent Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. W. A. Claborn.

Mr. and Mrs. A. J. McDonald of Alvord and Mr. Onias Reynolds from Dallas, visited in the home of Mrs. McDonald Sunday.

Lowell Elrod of Decatur, spent last Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. G. B. Bowman.

Mr. and Mrs. Moore of Forestburg, visited Mr. and Mrs. Jake Monroe on Sunday evening.

Mr. and Mrs. J. J. Monroe spent one day last week with Mr. and Mrs. Peter Scott of the Jonestown community.

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JOHN PAUL JONES' BIRTH ANNIVERSARY RECALLED

In the little parish of Kirkbean in Scotland one of America's greatest heroes was born July 6, 1747. His family name was Paul and he was christened John. Later in life he was to add Jones to his name and become famous as a commander in the continental navy whose brilliant achievements on the sea rivalled those of George Washington on the land.

The 184th anniversary of John Paul Jones' birthday is marked as a date of significance to all Americans by the division of information and publication of the United States George Washington Bicentennial commission. Every citizen of the United States has reason to be grateful for the services of the first great American sea fighter.

Young John Paul went to sea when he was but 12 years old, and at the age of 21 he was captain of a trader. In 1773 he came to America and settled on his brother's plantation in Virginia which he had inherited upon the death of the latter. It was here that he first used the name Jones.

When the break between England and her colonies widened into actual warfare, Jones applied to congress for a naval commission which was granted in December, 1775. That month, as a lieutenant in the new continental navy, he is said to have hoisted with his own hands the first naval flag of an American squadron. This was the well known yellow silk banner with the rattlesnake and the warning, "Don't tread on me!"

The young officer soon was given an independent commission in command of the little ship, "Providence." With a crew of but seventy men and a dozen four-pound guns, Jones became a terror to British shipping, destroying a million dollars' worth of enemy property. Later, in the "Alfred," he continued his work, capturing valuable munitions intended for Burgoyne.

He was commissioned captain October 10, 1776, and June 14, 1776, was ordered to the "Ranger." On this ship, July 4, he raised the first stars and stripes that ever flew from an American warship. In the "Ranger" he carried to France the news of Burgoyne's surrender and received the first salute ever given the United States flag by a foreign fleet.

From France Jones sailed to the north coast of England where he landed at Whitehaven, spiked the British guns, burned some shipping

and thoroughly alarmed the country. This was the only invasion of British territory by an American force during the revolutionary war.

The most famous battle in which he was engaged was that which took place September 23, 1779, with the British man of war, "Seraphis," off Flamborough Head. At that time Jones was in command of an ancient ship which he had refitted in France and named "Bon Homme Richard," in honor of Benjamin Franklin. Despite the great odds against him the intrepid American unhesitatingly engaged the far superior enemy in a battle which has gone down in history as one of the greatest sea fights of all time.

The rotten sides of the American ship were almost completely shot away when the English commander called on Jones to surrender. In reply he received the terse statement "I have not yet begun to fight." Utterly dismayed at such courage, the Englishman struck his colors. Jones transferred his crew to the "Seraphis," and the "Bon Homme Richard," completely shattered, sunk to her glorious grave.

After the revolution John Paul Jones entered the service of Catherine of Russia where he again revealed his remarkable courage and ability as a sea fighter. Being the victim of intrigues by jealous Russian officers, Jones left that country and went to France where he died July 18, 1792. In 1905 his body was located and identified by the American ambassador to France. It was brought to this country and interred with full honors at the United States Naval Academy at Annapolis.

Card of Thanks

We take this way of expressing thanks to our many friends for the love and kindness given us during the illness and death of our wife and mother, Mrs. J. H. D. Glanton. Also for the many floral offerings, May God's richest blessings be with each of you.—J. H. D. Glanton and Children.

Mrs. J. H. D. Glanton

Funeral services were held Monday afternoon at Decatur cemetery for Mrs. J. H. D. Glanton, 72, long time resident of Wise county, who died Sunday morning of last week, at her home, three miles north of Decatur.

Mrs. Glanton, a native of Tennessee, came to Texas when a child and settled in Wise county. She is survived by her husband, five sons and two daughters. Rev. Pritchett officiated at the funeral services, arrangements for which were carried out by C. L. Christian.

JONESTOWN NEWS

Mr. and Mrs. Henry Bowden and family, Mr. and Mrs. Clarence Bowden and family of Bowie, and Mrs. Ted Theford and baby of Wink, Texas, spent Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. Elbert Neighbors of the Valley View community.

Mr. and Mrs. M. A. Watts and family of Fort Worth, spent the week-end with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. G. W. Watts and family.

Mr. and Mrs. Roy McBride spent Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. Luther Burris of Decatur.

Mrs. G. W. Watts and daughters, Misses Mamie and Lorena, and Mrs. M. A. Watts and baby of Fort Worth spent Saturday afternoon in the Henry Bowden home.

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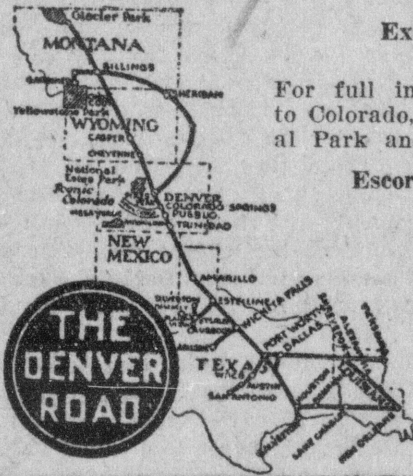
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